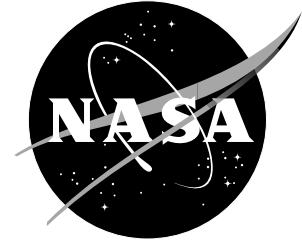


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SCIENCE IS A FAMILY AFFAIR

Scholarship awarded to daughter of NASA Langley Employees

Atmospheric and environmental science are all in the family for the Natarajans. The father, Murali Natarajan is a research scientist; the mother, Sudha Natarajan is a software engineer. Both work at NASA Langley's Atmospheric Sciences Competency, and both will watch as daughter, Jyothi, a future environmental scientist, is presented one of seven NASA College Scholarship Fund awards.

Langley Center Director, Dr. Jeremiah Creedon will present the award to Jyothi in a ceremony at 8 a.m., Thursday, July 12. A recent Hampton Roads Academy graduate, Natarajan will attend Swarthmore College in the fall and plans to study environmental science.

The NASA College Scholarship Fund was established to award scholarships agency-wide to qualified dependents of NASA and former NASA employees. The fund was established as a direct result of a gift by Pulitzer Prize winning author, James A. Michener.

Other major contributors include the Freedom Forum (to honor the Hubble crewmembers in 1994 and again in 1997 to honor Shannon Lucid) and other chapters of the NASA Alumni League. Many NASA employees have contributed to the fund directly or through the Combined Federal Campaign.

This year's winners of the NASA College Scholarship Fund bring the total number of recipients to 97 and 61 have graduated.

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